

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 7, lines 27-28, please replace the paragraph with the following paragraph, which includes markings to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version:

Glass transition temperature,  $T_g$ , is the temperature at which the material changes from a viscous or rubbery condition to a hard and relatively brittle condition. In one embodiment, the fiber of the present invention has a  $T_g$  of at least about  $-30^{\circ}\text{C}$ .